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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS  
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group  
FROM : Chief, Vienna Bureau  
SUBJECT : MONTHLY REPORT - AUSTRIA BUREAU - JANUARY 1988

## I. GENERAL

Henry A. Grunwald arrived in Vienna 17 January to take up duties as U.S. Ambassador to Austria. Many Bureau staffers and FN personnel were able to attend one of several receptions held at the ambassador's residence to enable Mission employees to meet him and Mrs. Grunwald.

The dollar appeared to stabilize somewhat in January, hovering a few groschen above or below 11.5 Austrian schillings to the dollar during most of the month. The long-term outlook, however, remains uncertain at best.

In a related development, the combined efforts of the Bureau and Headquarters Admin Staff appear to have moved RAMC officials to review the pay cap problem which is adversely affecting several Bureau FBN's. Although the issue is far from settled, RAMC Paris now admits that incorrect calculations were made in at least one case and says it is reviewing the problem. Unfortunately, it also claims that premium pay must now be included when calculating salaries for pay cap purposes. RAMC has promised a memo with a full explanation. We will pursue the problem further after receipt of the memo.

## II. OPERATIONS

### A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The bureau's LAN began experiencing problems on the evening of 18 January, when the fileserver went down unexpectedly with the loss of all stored material -- processed items as well as the press agency files. After being brought back up the following morning, the system operated with a few hiccups until the 23d when the LAN suffered a total crash. After attempts to restore the system using the main and spare fileservers proved unsuccessful, it was decided to operate in stand-alone mode and bring up the sneakernet. Although such change-overs are always disruptive, Bureau operations adjusted quickly and by the next day, copy was moving with a minimum of delay, with the commo staff -- which benefits most from a healthy LAN -- suffering the most disruption and the heaviest burden from stand-alone operations. Two LEC contractors are now scheduled to come to the bureau to look for the cause(s) behind the LAN failure, and we plan to keep the sneakernet running until the situation is back to normal.

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2. The bureau's Russian section worked several overtime shifts to expedite processing of materials -- including a 19-take Shcherbitskiy speech -- generated by the recent Ukrainian Central Committee plenum. The Wire had informed us on the 26th of strong consumer interest in the plenum's proceedings.

3. Heavy amounts of copy were processed during the month in connection with several major events: new developments in the Waldheim affair; the celebrations for the 70th birthday of Romanian leader Ceausescu; and the BCP National Conference that was held at the end of the month (and coincidental with the LAN crash).

4. At MOD's request, a study of AU's ability to cover FRG press and broadcast sources was completed. It was determined that the FRG papers could be handled fairly easily with the addition of one German monitor, but that coverage of FRG radio and TV was problematical at this time, primarily because of reception problems.

*3 radios +  
1 TV station  
monitored for  
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5. The bureau received a note of appreciation from the BBC for the "excellent" reportage on Romanian treatment of the Queen's "message" to Ceausescu on his birthday. After the UK Government had protested to Romania over the alleged publication of a bogus congratulatory message from the Queen, our Romanian section subsequently determined that the remarks attributed to the Queen were not in fact described as birthday greetings by the Romanian media and that AGERPRES reporting on the subject indicated that the Queen's words had been extracted from a toast she had proposed to Ceausescu during his visit to London in 1979.

#### B. Communications

1. The bureau's primary incoming circuit was down 7-13 January. The trouble was eventually traced to faulty equipment at the Croughton switch. During the outage, London Bureau performed the invaluable services of taking the point in dealing with Croughton and of relaying via the VCVC the immense volume of traffic that was alt-routed through Caversham.

#### C. Technical

1. The one remaining multicoupler was removed from the attic during the month, along with all RF cables, and installed in the basement. The attic area was cleaned.

2. Monitor Technician   completed updating the Bureau engineering "black book," which will be returned to FED. All information is now in computer storage for easy retrieval and updating.

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III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Recruitment efforts were begun during the month to recruit one monitor technician (boardman), two Czech/Slovak and two Russian monitors. Ads for the monitors were placed at month's end in local papers and one London paper. It is hoped that some of the local applicants will also have German capability and that a Russian with Ukrainian capability might also be found.

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2. Two Bureau FN personnel received PSI's effective 17 January: [redacted] from FBN-08/03 to FBN-08/04 and [redacted] from FBN-05/03 to FBN-05/04. [redacted] executed a new travel agreement effective to 31 October 1989.

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3. The Embassy announced that the Post Allowance had increased from 30% to 35% effective 17 January and that the Temporary Lodging Allowance had increased from \$73 to \$76 per day effective the same date because of the drop in the value of the dollar.

B. Building and Grounds

Installation and wiring were completed during the month to permit remote control of all motorized window shutters on the first floor of the Bureau. These shutters can now be closed in an emergency with a single switch. Switches are located at the slot editorial position, the admin assistant position and main radio.

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Chief, Austrian Bureau

cc: Chief, FBIS London Bureau

Attachments

Production Report

Staff Personnel Report

Non-Staff Personnel Report

## Austrian Bureau Production Report for January 1988

## I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	700,490
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	37,850
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,181

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	12,300	15,865	325.99
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## ALBANIA

Tirana Domestic Service in Albanian	10,580		
Tirana ATA in English		2,220	
Tirana BASHKIMI in Albanian			1,710
Tirana DRITA in Albanian			1,820
Tirana FUNA in Albanian			0
Tirana RRUGA E PARTISE in Albanian			250
Tirana ZERI I POPULLIT in Albanian			17,400
Tirana ZERI I RINISE in Albanian			0

## AUSTRIA

Vienna Domestic Service in German	1,900		
Vienna Television Service in German	1,760		
Vienna ORF TELETEXT in German	890		
Vienna NEUE AZ in German			1,890
Vienna DIE PRESSE in German			5,000
Vienna KURIER in German			850
Vienna NEUE KRONEN ZEITUNG in German			1,670
Vienna PROFIL in German			720
Vienna VOLKSSTIMME in German			230
Vienna WIENER ZEITUNG in German			4,500

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
<b>BULGARIA</b>			
Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian	6,150		
Sofia BTA in English		25,160	
Sofia ANTENI in Bulgarian			0
Sofia LITERATUREN FRONT in Bulgarian			2,520
Sofia NARODNA ARMIYA in Bulgarian			360
Sofia NARODNA MLADEZH in Bulgarian			1,460
Sofia NOVO VREME in Bulgarian			0
Sofia OTECHESTVEN FRONT in Bulgarian			3,300
Sofia POGLED in Bulgarian			2,440
Sofia RABOTNICHESKO DELO in Bulgarian			11,830
Sofia STURSHEL in Bulgarian			0
Sofia TRUD in Bulgarian			1,460
Sofia ZEMEDEL'SKO ZNAME in Bulgarian			1,840
<b>CHINA</b>			
Beijing International Service in Albanian	0		
Beijing International Service in Serbo-Croatian	0		
<b>CZECHOSLOVAKIA</b>			
Prague Television Service in Czech	2,900		
Prague Television Service in Slovak	240		
Bratislava PRAVDA in Slovak			32,700
Bratislava ROLNICE NOVINY in Slovak			450
Bratislava SMENA in Slovak			480
Bratislava VECERNIK in Slovak			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Prague LIDOVA DEMOKRACIE in Czech			90
Prague MLADA FRONTA in Czech			700
Prague NOVA MYSL in Czech			1,060
Prague PRACE in Czech			1,100
Prague RUDE PRAVO in Czech			73,390
Prague TRIBUNA in Czech			0
Prague VECERNI PRAHA in Czech			0
Prague ZEMEDELSKE NOVINY in Czech			4,110
FRANCE			
Paris AFP in English		32,120	
Paris ZNAKI CZASU in Polish			0
GDR			
East Berlin BERLINER ZEITUNG in German			0
East Berlin DER MORGEN in German			1,310
East Berlin EINHEIT in German			1,070
East Berlin HORIZONT in German			0
East Berlin NATIONAL ZEITUNG in German			0
East Berlin NEUE ZEIT in German			0
East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German			77,480
East Berlin NEUER WEG in German			0
HUNGARY			
Budapest Television Service in Hungarian	0		
Budapest KULPOLITIKA in Hungarian			0
Budapest MAGYAR HIRLAP in Hungarian			16,770
Budapest MAGYAR NEMZET in Hungarian			1,420

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Budapest MAGYARORSZAG in Hungarian			1,350
Budapest NEPSZABADSAG in Hungarian			34,220
Budapest NEPSZAVA in Hungarian			4,990
Budapest PARTELET in Hungarian			0
Budapest TARSADALMI SZEMLE in Hungarian			470
ITALY			
Rome ANSA in English		13,500	
POLAND			
Krakow TYGODNIK POWSZECHNY in Polish			0
Warsaw KULTURA in Polish			0
Warsaw NOWE DROGI in Polish			0
Warsaw POLITYKA in Polish			14,160
Warsaw PRZEGLAD KATOLICKI in Polish			0
Warsaw RZECZPOSPOLITA in Polish			27,580
Warsaw RZECZYWISTOSC in Polish			3,600
Warsaw SLOWO POWSZECHNE in Polish			0
Warsaw SZTANDAR MLODYCH in Polish			440
Warsaw TRYBUNA LUDU in Polish			21,770
Warsaw ZOLNIERZ WOLNOSCI in Polish			1,070
Warsaw ZYCIE PARTII in Polish			2,930
Warsaw ZYCIE WARSZAWY in Polish			8,640
ROMANIA			
Bucharest Domestic Service in Romanian	11,800		
Bucharest AGERPRES in English		30,610	



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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Bucharest AGERPRES in French		0	
Bucharest ERA SOCIALISTA in Romanian			0
Bucharest LUMEA in Romanian			1,080
Bucharest ROMANIA LIBERA in Romanian			200
Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian			25,870
USSR			
Moscow in Albanian to Albania	0		
Moscow in Bulgarian to Bulgaria	0		
Moscow in Macedonian to Yugoslavia	0		
Moscow in Romanian to Romania	0		
Moscow in Slovene to Yugoslavia	0		
Kiev PRAVDA UKRAINY in Russian			38,810
Kiev RADYANSKA UKRAINA in Ukrainian			3,560
Moscow ISTORIYA SSSR in Russian			0
Moscow KOMMUNIST VOORUZHENNYKH SIL in Russian			0
Moscow KOMMUNIST in Russian			28,870
Moscow MEZHDUNARODNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			0
Moscow MIROVAYA EKONOMIKA I MEZHDUNARODNYYE OTNOSHENIYA in Russian			0
Moscow OBSHCHESTVENNYYE NAUKI in Russian			0
Moscow PARTIYNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			3,520
Moscow PLANOVOYE KHOZYAYSTVO in Russian			0
Moscow POLITICHESKOYE SAMOOBRAZOVANIYE in Russian			0
Moscow PROBLEMY DALNEGO VOSTOKA in Russian			0
Moscow PROBLEMY MIRA I SOTSIALIZMA in Russian			0
Moscow RABOCHIY KLAS I SOVREMENNY MIR in Russian			0
Moscow SOTSIOLOGICHESKIYE ISSLEDOVANIYA in Russian			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Moscow SSHA: EKONOMIKA, POLITIKA, IDEOLOGIYA in Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY EKONOMIKI in Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY FILOSOFII in Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII KPSS in Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII in Russian			0
Moscow VOYENNO-ISTORICHESKIY ZHURNAL in Russian			0
YUGOSLAVIA			
Belgrade Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian	2,300		
Pristina Domestic Service in Albanian	240		
Pristina Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian	0		
Belgrade Television Service in Serbo-Croatian	0		
Belgrade TANJUG DOMESTIC SERVICE in Serbo-Croatian		0	
Belgrade TANJUG in English		0	
Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian			48,040
Belgrade KOMUNIST in Serbo-Croatian			0
Belgrade NARODNA ARMIJA in Serbo-Croatian			2,170
Belgrade NIN in Serbo-Croatian			0
Belgrade POLITIKA in Serbo-Croatian			4,960
Belgrade SOCIALIZAM in Serbo-Croatian			0
Ljubljana DELO in Slovene			0
Novi Sad DNEVNIK in Serbo-Croatian			0
Pristina RILINDJA in Albanian			2,210

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
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Sarajevo OSLOBODJENJE in Serbo-Croatian			0
Skopje NOVA MAKEDONIJA in Macedonian			0
Titograd POBJEDA in Serbo-Croatian			0
Zagreb DANAS in Serbo-Croatian			3,260
Zagreb VJESNIK in Serbo-Croatian			770